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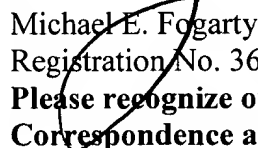
REMARKS

In response to the pending Office Action, Applicants have amended the title of the application so that it more specifically identifies the subject matter of the present invention. In addition, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer concerning USP No. 6,282,506, so as to overcome the pending double-patenting rejection. As this is the only rejection pending, Applicants respectfully submit that the filing of the terminal disclaimer places the instant application in condition for allowance.

Having fully responded to all matters set forth in the pending Office Action, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance, and indication of which is respectfully solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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